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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In the Application of:** Nacheff et al.

**Application Serial No:** 09/582,701

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**Title:** Deriving an Object by Inheritance,  
Instantiation or Cloning

**Group Art Unit:** 2124

**Examiner:** T. Roche

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**AMENDMENT**

**SIR:**

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 26, 2004, the three-month extended statutory period for reply expiring on **July 26, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

A Request for Extension of Time is filed concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.